

varietal name *alba* Cox., P. L. S., N. S. W., Vol. IV, 1879, was entitled to become the species name, and the name *C. hesitata* was substituted as a varietal name; hence the white shell formerly known as variety *alba* becomes the species, and the shell known as *C. umbilicata* becomes *C. alba* Cox variety *hesitata* Iredale.

I have in my collection two fine specimens of a *Cypraea* which is closely related to *C. alba hesitata* Iredale, but evidently a good species, *C. armeniaca* Verco. Sir Joseph Verco gave the history of this species which at first he thought might be a variety only, a shell with apricot coloration of *C. umbilicata* Sowb., but upon comparison with Tasmanian forms of that species he remarked: "Mine differ in shape, being more globular, higher and wider, not only relatively, but absolutely. No specimens were found that can be regarded as intergrading with *C. alba hesitata*, and the shell was raised to the rank of a species by Verco.

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**STREPTOSTYLA CHIRIQUIANA AND S. VIRIDULA**

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*STREPTOSTYLA CHIRIQUIANA* Martens, Biol. Centr.-Am. Moll., p. 615, Jan., 1901.

*Streptostylus flavescens* da Costa, Pr. Malac. Soc. London, IX, p. 66, pl. vii, f. 1, Aug. 1st, 1900; not *flavescens* Sh. 1852.

*Streptostylus pallidus* da Costa, op. cit., p. 185, March 19, 1901, new name for *flavescens* da C.

In a recent paper<sup>1</sup> Dr. Pilsbry mentions that he has not seen this form and surmises that it may conceivably be identical with *viridula* Angas, which he figures on p. 96. The type specimen of *viridula* is very dead and mostly decorticated, measuring 16 mm. by 9½ mm. Pilsbry's fig. 22 C is taken from a much larger shell, but represents the species well. Our series in the Brit. Mus. contains another specimen which measures

<sup>1</sup>Proc. Ac. N. S. Philadelphia, lxxviii, p. 98, 1926.

16½ x 9; there is some variability in length of spire. The color at present is a dirty white with a slight tinge of yellowish, and has probably faded. *S. viridula* is a perfectly distinct species from *chiriquiana* and is distinguished by its dumpiness and greater breadth in proportion to length.

The color of *chiriquiana* is a curious light greenish waxy yellow; below the suture there is a striate zone, quite distinct if carefully examined but obscured by the thickness of the periostracum. The type measures exactly 22 x 11 mm. The British Museum has a set of four unnamed, marked "Chiriqui, 3-4000 feet", which seems to be a faded or more colorless form of *S. chiriquiana*.

I write this note on the type specimens at Pilsbry's request.

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A NEW VARIETY OF AURIS AURISSCIURI (GUPPY)

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AURIS AURISSCIURI LUTEA, n. var.

Differs from the typical form in the shell being pure white *without any trace of color markings* and, in fresh specimens, covered with a very thin, very pale yellow cuticle; columellar fold *white* or with a delicate tint of lilac; parietal callus *white*; microscopic granulation subobsolete and impressed spiral lines much more distinct than in the typical form.

Length 35.7, diam. 16.5 mm.; aperture, length 21 mm.

A very small specimen measures:

Length 30½, diam. 14½ mm.; aperture, length 18, width 10 mm.

Belmont, near Port-of-Spain, Trinidad.

Have seen five perfectly fresh and several dead specimens, which had lost the cuticle, so the variety appears to be well established.

A few eggs received from Belmont measure, approximately, 2 x 4 mm., and the young shells, just out of the eggs, have nearly 2 whorls.